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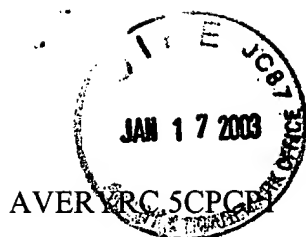
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**AMENDMENT**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed September 11, 2002, Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to enter the following amendments and consider the following arguments.

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

**Please cancel claims 6-8, and 10 without prejudice.**

**Please amend claims 1 and 12 as follows:**

Claim 1. (Amended) A multilayer release liner, comprising:

a backing;

a support layer covering the backing;

a silicone-containing layer covering the support layer, the silicone layer having a release surface wherein a lower amount of silicone is present in each successive 1  $\mu$ m depth from the release surface to the 1  $\mu$ m depth in which at least 50% of the total silicone in the silicone-containing layer is between that 1  $\mu$ m depth and the release surface.

Claim 12. (Amended) A pressure-sensitive adhesive label construction incorporating a multilayer release liner comprising: